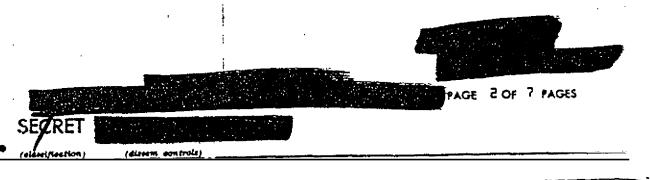
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COMMENT! REPORTS APPEARED IN THE-PRESS
ON 31 K A Y 1973 THAT R A D I O AGRICULTURA WAS REMOVED FROM THE AIR BY NATIONAL POLICE UNDER ORDERS FROM THE OFFICE OF
INFORMATION O FIME PRESIDENCY, AT APPROXIMATELY 2130 HOURS
THE NIGHT OF 30 KAY, THE REAS ON GIVEN WAS THAT THE STATION
HAD BROKEN THE LAWFOR SECURITY OF THE STATE BY ANNOUNCING
THAT THO HINERS HAD BEEN KILLED BY THE ARMY IN RANCAGUA.

WHEN IN FACT ONLY; ONE HAD SEEN KILLED. THE PROVINCE OF OUTIGINS, OF WHICH RANCAGUAIS THE CAPITAL, WAS DECLARED ANEHERGENCY ZONE. ON \$1 MAY AND WAS PUT UNDER MILITARY CONTROL DUE TO THE STRIKE BY WORKERS OF THE ELTENIENTEC OPPERMINES.

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2. PRESIDENT SALVADOR ALLENDE PERSONALLY ORDERED. THE CLOSURE OF THE SANTIAGO RADIOS T A T I O N RADIO AGRICULTURA O NTHENIGHT OF 30 HAY 1973. A FTER HENASTOLD BY ANIBAL SECRETARY GENERAL OF GOVERNMENT THAT THE STATION W A S MAKING ERRONEOUS AND INFLAMMATORY NEWS REPORTS RELATIVE T O THE SHOOTING IN RANCAGUAIN WHICH ORE PERSON WAS KILLED AND ANOTHER SERIOUSLY HOUNDED BY HEMBERSOF THE CHILEANARHY. ALLENDE ORDERED THE CLOSUREAS ASIGN OF GOVERNMENT BACKING O F THE ARMYIN RANCAGUA. ALLENDEFELTS U.C.H. A MOVEWAS NECESSARY SINCE HEHADRECENTLYREFUSED A REQUEST BY ACTING COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY, GENERAL AUGUSTIN P 1 N OC E 7. TO GRANT THEARMY UNRESTRICTED AUTHORITY TO RESOLVE THE STRIKE PROBLEM AFFECTING THE EL TENIENTE COPPER MINE. POPULAR UNITY (UP) LEADERS, AND PARTICULARLY LUIS B 4 E Z A - INTENDENT - O FRANCAGUA AND A HEMBER OF THE . CHILEAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCCH) , HAD B E E N AGAINST TURNING OVER POWER O FMEDIATION TO THE ARRY AND CONVINCEDALLENDE TO TURN DO WN GENERAL PINOCHET'S REQUEST. "INSTEAD. THE GOVERNMENT ORDERED PINOCHET TO ACT HITH A FIRKHAND IN THE ZONE . E V E N IF THIS HEART T A K I N G A HARD STAND AGAINST SUPPORTERS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

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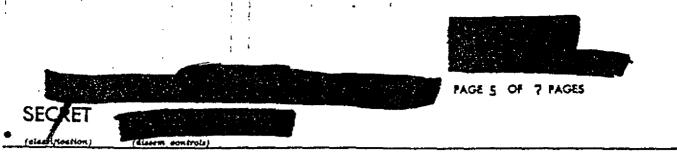
- J. THE ARMY INFORMED THE GOVERNMENT THAT I to was imperative for the Government to resolve the Problems as Quickly as possible because the Army would not retain Control in the Emergency 20ne for an indefinite period of time under these conditions, the Army further said that IF the Government could not solve the Problems. The Army would consider mediating the situation without government consent.
- STRIKING WORKERS WERE RECEIVING CONSIDERABLE FOODS TUFFS AND
 OTHER MATERIAL SUPPORT FROMOUTSIDE THE CITY, AND CONSEQUENTLY
 WERE BEING BETTER FED THAN THOSE U.P. MINERS WHO WERE CONTINUING
 TO MORK. THE GOVERNMENT ASKED THE ARMY TO STOP ALL TRUCKS
 GOING INTO THE AREA. HOWEVER, ARMY REPRESENTATIVES RESPONSIBLE'
 FOR THE EMERGENCY ZONE REFUSED. ARGUING THAT MATERIAL SUPPORT
 WAS BEING RECEIVED BY THE STRIKE RISFROMALL AR EAS OF CHILE
 AND THAT IF ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO STOP IT, THE DISCONTENT
 HOULD SIMPLY S PREAD.
- 5. IN ADDITION TO THE CONFLICT IN O'HIGGINS PROVINCE.

 GOVERNMENT LEADERS WERE ALSO CONCERNED THAT THE WORKERS-OF

 THE CHUQUICAMATA COPPER HINEHIGHT START A FULL-SCALE SYMPATHY

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STRIKE ON 4 JUNE IF THE EL TENIENTE STRIKE IS NOT RESOLVED

PRIOR TO THAT DATE, THIS COULD LEAD TO PROBLEM IN ANTOFAGASTA

AND CALAMAAND THE POSSIBLE DECLARATION OF AZONE OF EMERGENCY

IN THIS AREA, COMMENT: GOVERNMENT LEADERS WOULD

BE RELUCTANT TO TAKE SUCH A STEP SINCE THEY ARE AWARETHAT

THELEADING MILITARY OFFICERS IN THIS AREA ARE ANTI-GOVERN-

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- 6. THE GOVERNMENT WAS ALSO INFORMED THAT 200 ARMED MEMBERS

 OF THE MOVEMENT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY LEFT (MIR) AND SOCIALIST

 PARTY (PS)PARA-MILITARY BRIGADES RECENTLY MOVED INTO THE

 SANPEDRO AREA OF PANGUIPULLINEAR CHILLAN. THIS HOVE HAS

 ALARMED THE FARMERS IN THE AREA AND CAUSED THE OPPOSITION FORCES

 TO MOBILIZE. THE GOVERNMENT FEARED THAT THIS COULD LEAD TO

 A NARMED CONFRONTATION.
- -7. ALL OF THE ABOVE PROBLEMS LED PRESIDENT ALLENDET O
 BELIEVE THAT CERTAIN INCIDENTS COULD LEADT OF CHAIN REACTION
 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND CREATE A SITUATION WHICH THE GOVERNHENT COULD NOT CONTROL. ALLENDE WAS ALSO CONCERNED OVER THE
 FACT THAT HE' DOES NOT ENJOY THE SAME PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP

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WITH GENERAL PINOCHET AS HE MAS WITH GENERAL CARLOS PRATS. COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY, WHO IS CURRENTLY ON AN OFFICIAL TRIP IN EUROPE. As A RESULT, ALLENDE IS CONSIDERING CUTTING SHORT GENERAL PRAT'S CURRENT TRIP ABROAD, HE IS ALSO CONSIDERING ATTEMPTING TO RESOLVE THEEL TENIENTE STRIKE BEFORE THE ◀ JUNE DATE WHEN THE CHUQUICAMATA WORKERS WILL DECIDE WHETHER THEY WILL JOIN IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE EL TENIENTE STRIKERS, AS A FINAL MEASURE, ALLENDE HAS GIVEN THOUGHT TO THE POSSIBILITY OF GIVING ADDITIONAL AUTHORITYTO THE MILITARY, INCLUDING CHANGING HIS CURRENT CABINET TO A NON-POLITICAL CABINET CONSISTING OF MILITARY AND TECHNICAL MINISTERS WITH THE MILITARY HAVING AS HANY AS EIGHT CABINET POSTS, IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, COMMENT: ALLENDE'S CURRENT STATE OF HORALE IS EXTREMELY LOW, AND HE FEELS QUITE DISCOURAGED BY THE CURRENT POLITICAL CRISIS. AS A RESULT OF THIS LOW MORALE AND ALLENDE'S GENERALLY POOR STATE OF HEAL TH, THE PRESIDENT FEELS THAT HE MUST DELEGATE POWER IN ORDER TO RESOLVE PRESENT PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE U.P.)

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